

Daily Eagle

PIONEER RANCHING.
MAKING A HOME IN THE WOODS
NEAR PUGET SOUND.

Clearing Away the Undergrowth—Felling a Big Cedar—Splitting Boards for a Cabin—Getting the Land Ready for the Plow—Burning Trees.

Well, young man, we will suppose you have gone west and have located a quarter section—100 acres—of bottom land in a Puget sound valley. The first thing you will probably do after locating is to erect your cabin. There is no road to your ranch; you are fortunate if there is a horse trail; and the river is too swift to navigate with a heavy load, so you cannot get sawed lumber to build it with. You gaze in wonder at the mighty trunks uprearing around you, and conclude that you are not sufficiently skilled in woodcraft to build a house out of them. The wisest course is to engage an old resident to help you.

You go together to the ground; and, your building site being selected, he sets you to work cutting underwood, while he, shouldering a (to you) strange looking implement—a board about six feet in length by about eight inches in width, slightly narrowed and rounded at one end, upon which is securely bolted on the upper side a plate of steel with a flared edge—and an ax, disappears in the undergrowth, leaving you to struggle with vine-maple—a growth peculiar to the Pacific slope. It seldom exceeds six inches in diameter, but grows so tall that, leaning with its own weight, often takes root again, and, being severed, straightens with a vicious kick, sometimes severely injuring the unwary ax-man.

IN THE WOODS.
After you have been working for two or three hours, and have perhaps stopped to look in amazement at a hazel bush with a trunk as thick as your thigh, you hear a loud, prolonged "Look out below," and a mighty cedar cracks, sways and falls with a crash, grinding and splintering the smaller trees beneath it. The earth trembles as from an earthquake, and for several minutes the limbs keep dropping from trees that have been grazed. Making your way to the spot, you clamber upon the trunk—no easy thing to do, for it is six or eight feet in diameter. The first thing that attracts your attention is the height at which the stump is cut—ten feet or more from the ground—with that strange-looking board sticking in a notch at a convenient height for chopping. "What! did you stand on that thing to cut the tree down?" The old resident smiles: "We call that a chopping board; you see the timber is all 'swell buttled,' so we are obliged to climb to get above the bulge. When you get used to it, you will prefer standing on a board to cutting from the ground."

SPLITTING BOARDS.
Your next task is to saw a length from your tree and split it into pieces of the required size. Taking a frowny saw-whet longer and heavier than is commonly used for splitting shingles, the old resident proceeds dexterously to rive these pieces into inch boards, and by nightfall you have almost enough lumber to make a 12x14 foot cabin. Owing to the difficulty of transporting lumber, nearly all farm buildings are built of split lumber, except in the immediate vicinity of a saw mill. Fir and spruce are also split as well as cedar. With a little care in dressing a tolerably comfortable and respectable looking house can be made of split lumber. Not long ago I assisted in building a house 24x36 feet. We felled a single fir tree, six feet in diameter; from this we built the entire house, lining, ceiling, flooring and all, besides furniture. From the waste there was about four months' firewood, while more than 100 feet of the top remained.

CLEARING THE GROUND.
When you have your cabin completed, with a good clay fireplace—no house is comfortable in such a moist climate without one—and a couple of months' supplies brought either in a canoe or packed on a cayuse (Indian pony) you are ready to commence clearing. The underwood and smaller trees are easily cut and piled ready for burning; then you must fell the big trees and burn them. These may be either dropped, sawn or burned down. When burned, a horizontal hole is bored about eighteen inches in depth and two feet from the ground, with another hole bored from above to intersect it; live coals are then dropped into the upper hole, and fanned to a flame through the lower or draught hole. The interior of the tree soon becomes like a furnace; and in a few days burns down; the stump often having burned several feet below the surface. Now you have the enormous trunk—between 200 and 300 feet in length—to dispose of; this is done by boring and firing—as was done in the standing tree—at intervals of a few feet. You find the clearing very laborious; and are not long in discovering that it costs from \$50 to \$75 an acre to get the land ready for the plow; but this acre will produce on an average, 350 bushels of potatoes, seventy-five of oats, or four tons of hay, and other things in proportion.—Snohomish City Cor. Detroit Free Press.

How Maud S. Was Well Nigh Ruined.
"It is not generally known," said Mr. Hill, of the National Humane society, "that the greatest trotting horse in the world came near being ruined by cruel treatment. When George Stone, of Cincinnati, found that a Kentucky mare which he had purchased was a very speedy animal, he hired a man to train her. This man was cruel to the mare, and he made but little headway in developing her speed. She became obstinate and ugly, and not only refused to work right in the sulky, but was vicious in her stall. Luckily this blundering, cruel trainer was discharged, and William Hall employed in his stead. Like the true horseman that he is, Hall is utterly unable to treat a horse cruelly. He at once reversed the tactics of his predecessor, and began to treat the mare with kindness. She quickly responded with better behavior, and in a short time became affectionate and obedient. Whereas, her former master was afraid to go into the stall unless she was securely tied, Hall taught her to pick apples out of his coat pocket. As soon as the man and beast had established these pleasant relations, good results began to appear. The mare's speed developed rapidly, and she was soon able to make the famous record of 2:10. A year or so more of cruel treatment and Maud S. would have been ruined.—Chicago Herald.

The Burmese as Opium Eaters.
The Burmese are great consumers of opium, the first effect of which is to render them very lively and wakeful, and I have known it given to natives for that purpose by officers going long night journeys, in which they are dependent on their exertions for making a speedy expedition. The subsequent effects of opium are, however, as is well known, highly injurious, and it generally ends in killing those addicted to its use, as it is a habit, like drinking, which, when once acquired, is impossible to give up. I have photographs of opium eaters taken from life, most ghastly subjects to look at, showing the poor creatures reduced by this dreadful practice to mere walking skeletons. The opium trade is in Burmah a government monopoly and a rich source of revenue.—Burmah Cor. New York Star.

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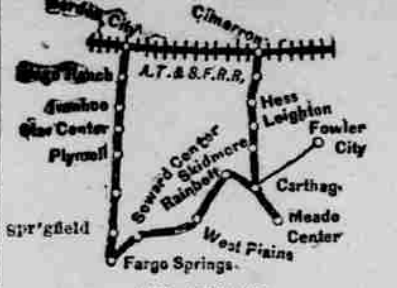
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